IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Russell A. Wincheski et al.

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For: MAGNETORESISTIVE FLUX FOCUSING EDDY CURRENT FLAW DETECTION

State of Virginia City of Hampton, to wit:

AFFIDAVIT OF RUSSELL A. WINCHESKI

I, Russell A. Wincheski, a co-inventor of the above-referenced invention, being duly sworn, do hereby depose and say:

- 1. That I am an aerospace technologist employed by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia and a co-author on the technical paper entitled "Deep Flaw Detection With Giant Magnetoresistive (GMR) Based Self-Nulling Probe."
- 2. On July 27, 1999, I presented the technical paper entitled, "Deep Flaw Detection With Giant Magnetoresistive (GMR) Based Self-Nulling Probe," at the 26th Annual Review of Progress in QNDE, Montreal Canada. This paper was not distributed at the 26th Annual Review held July 25-30, 1999, and furthermore, no written materials were distributed. The oral presentation delivered at such 26th Annual Review was a nonenabling disclosure.

Further deponent sayeth not.

Russell A. Wincheski

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of April 2004, in the aforesaid City and State.

Tina Hawks Buchanan

Notary Public

My commission expires: September 30, 2007